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SUBJECT: Request for an Increase in the Expenditure Limit for North Bronson, Bronson, Michigan, Remedial Design Oversight

RAC - Roy F. Weston, Inc. Name, Work Assignment Number 031-ROBE-051C

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When the work assignment was initiated, the Agency was expecting a signed Record of Decision within a matter of a few weeks at most. Subsequently, EPA identified North Bronson as one of the sites whose analytical data may have been compromised because of Agency issues with the Central Regional Laboratory (CRL) Program. Until the problems with the CRL could be reconciled, the Department of Justice could not enter the Consent Decree which triggers the start of the Remedial Design. The Consent Decree was finally entered into February 2000 and the PRP's are now in the process of submitting all of their planning documents, e.g. work plan, Health and Safety Plan (HASP), Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP), etc. When EPA initially completed its IGCE and the contractor initially submitted its cost proposal, both entities knew little of the specifics of the proposed Pre-Design Studies field work. Now that the PRP's have submitted their work plan, EPA and Weston are in a much better position of estimating the level of support needed. I am recommending that EPA increase the expenditure limit by 150 LOE to enable the contractor to review and provide comment on the planning documents and to revise its work plan as needed. If you have any questions, please contact me at (312) 886-7251.